

Application No. 10/630,883
Amendment dated November 24, 2009
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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figure 20 to comply with the Examiner's objection. This sheet, which includes Figures 17-20, replaces the original sheet including Figures 17-20.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet (1)

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REMARKS

Reconsideration And Allowance Are Respectfully Requested.

Claims 53-63 are currently pending. Claim 52 has been canceled. Claims 1-51 were previously canceled. No new matter has been added. New claims 53-63 have been added. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

DRAWING OBJECTION

A Replacement Sheet has been submitted with an amended Figure 20 to address the Examiner's rejection. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the objection be withdrawn.

REJECTIONS

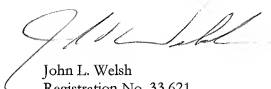
Claim 52 has been canceled in favor of new claims 53-63, which are supported by the disclosure of the 08/308,097 application, filed September 16, 1994. The drawings have been amended to address the objection to woven being disclosed and claimed, but not shown. As such, all of the outstanding objections and rejections are deemed moot.

None of the references of record constitute prior art as they do not have a priority date prior to September 16, 1994.

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In view of the newly submitted amendment it is believed that this case is in condition for allowance and reconsideration thereof and early issuance is respectfully requested. If it is felt that an interview would expedite prosecution of this application, please do not hesitate to contact Applicants' representative at the below number

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'John L. Welsh', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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